



A NEW KIND OF GREENS FROM TROPICAL AFRICA.

(*Rumex abyssinicus* Jacq., S. P. I. No. 48023.)

As a source of greens during the hot summer months, the Abyssinian Rumex is of great promise. Seeds may be sown in the greenhouse or hotbed in early spring and the plants set out as soon as the soil can be worked. The plants grow 7 or 8 feet in height and continue to yield greens until cut down by frost in late autumn. The leaves are cooked and served in the same manner as spinach, but care must be taken to change the water, in cooking, to eliminate excessive acidity. (Photographed by Peter Bisset at the Yarrow Plant-Introduction Garden, Rockville, Md., October 31, 1919; P25595FS.)